

## CHICAGO'S TEMPLE.

Description of the Wonderful Masonic Building in the Windy City.

## THE CROWNING FEAT OF THE SKILL.

Of the Builder—Twenty-one Stories High—Two Entire Floors to Be Used by the Order—Furnishings of Regal and Oriental Magnificence, Surpassing Anything the World Has Yet Seen—The Roof Garden.

Chicago Times.

Slowly and laboriously for forty-six years Solomon's temple, that marvel of a long dead age, grew a vision of beauty to the people of Jerusalem, but the modern marvel of ingenuity and invention, with arms of iron and ropes of steel, flung marble and brick and terra-cotta into the air and in a breath almost that wonder of Chicago, the Masonic temple, sprang into being. One short year between the laying of the corner and coping stones, with their solemn and impressive rituals, and the fond dream of Masonry was a realization, the completed building stood a proud monument for all time to a noble order. By day it grew, a thing of grace, story after story; by night the lightning's gleam, caught and prisoned in a hundred rays, shed a more than daytime radiance to guide the workmen crawling like flies along its dizzy heights. It soon attained and passed its rivals by thirty feet, standing crystal crowned, at last, the tallest business building in the world.

The style of architecture is artistic and pleasing, the curving windows lending the needed lines of beauty to the otherwise severely simple walls. Graceful and airy, the whole effect carries an impression of lightness and strength that satisfies the eye.

Just as a trained athlete has not one ounce of superfluous flesh, but stands erect a perfect specimen of manhood, so this beautiful building rears its head to the sky, strong with girders of steel and walls of marble.

A massive granite archway forty feet high and thirty-eight feet wide, pierced by a number of plate glass doors framed in bronze, leads into the mosaic paved rotunda. A row of marble pillars in the rear, while marble stairways on either side lead up and up the giddy flight of twenty-one stories, the glass roof at the top shedding a flood of softened light reflected from the Italian marble walls, and bringing the graceful bronze railings of each floor out in vivid distinctness.

EVERY SURPRISE CHICAGOANS. The first impression of a visitor upon entering is one of wonder and amazement, and the most urban Chicagoan, used and calloused to the surprises of his native heath, tilts back his glossy tile and stares with the same rural abandon as does the bride and groom from "Way Back." The fourteen passenger elevators run with the swift and easy passage of a bird. There is none of those painful hitches when a floor is passed that attend, with the nauseating effects, so many of the elevators in the office buildings of the city.

They are run by hydraulic power and are absolutely safe. If a rope should break an ingenious invention of pegs sliding in a groove would arrest the descent of the car, and the heavier it was loaded the more sudden its stoppage. And right here a few facts in regard to these elevators may prove of interest. The steel cables supporting and running them if stretched out in a line would reach the surprising distance of sixteen miles. They run 258 feet, making a trip every two minutes. Allowing 800 days to the working year, they run 123,136 miles during that time, or, in other words, the boys who run them traverse a space equal to girdling the earth nearly five times. The amount of water that passes through the pumping machines every twenty-four hours would make a pond 240x109 feet and 50 feet deep. There is tankage in the cellar and on the roof for 50,000 gallons, and three pumping machines, capable of supplying a town of 60,000 inhabitants, pump the water up and down, giving a force of 140 pounds to the square inch. The cars are built of iron, six feet square, and are handsome in design. Seven of them make no stops up or down between the first and tenth floors, carrying passengers for the tenth and nineteenth floors only. There are also three elevators concealed from view, which are used exclusively for freight.

The temple is devoted to business purposes from the first to the sixteenth floors. A large corps of artists and designers are now at work on the eighteenth, nineteenth, and twentieth floors, which are to be fitted up in more than regal magnificence for the sole use of the order.

Great halls touched with the mystic splendor of the orient will stretch their dim vistas from east to west, from north to south.

LIKE A GOTHIC CATHEDRAL.

On the eighteenth floor the Knights Templars' hall will follow in design and ornamentation a Gothic cathedral, with galleries running on either side the entire length, the walls underneath faced with beautiful scagliola marble, the arched ceiling paneled with heraldic designs done by noted artists, and the dais answering to a bishop's throne. This is covered with a grille work canopy done in oak, and fronted at the opposite end of the room by a great pipe organ.

The oriental consistory will occupy the north section of this floor with a hall 110 feet long by forty-eight feet wide.

The embellishments of this room, as shown in water-color design, look like a bit from "The Arabian Nights." Crimson and gold and silver, no dream of eastern sumptuousness can picture its glowing beauty. The east end will have a dramatic stage complete in all its appointments, flanked on either side in the flare of proscenium by a pipe organ. A graceful gallery runs around the sides and west end, and the floor and it together will have a seating capacity of 1,800.

Adjoining this magnificent hall a reception room is to be fitted up in the utmost luxury. Persia, India, and Japan yielded their choicest achievements in hangings, draperies, and rugs for its adornment. Pure marbles gleam at you from every nook, while the floor will be covered with rugs worth almost a king's ransom.

On the seventeenth floor is the assembly hall for drills, banquets, balls and so on—large enough to comfortably accommodate 1,300 people. It has its full complement of kitchens, cloak rooms, check rooms and smoking rooms, all to be fitted up in an appropriate and tasteful manner, regardless of cost. The aim in the whole suite is to produce apartments absolutely flawless, even down to the minutest detail.

INSPIRATION FROM EGYPT AND GREECE.

The Masonic club room, as contemplated, is a large, beautifully furnished

room in the center of the State street front, intended for a reading room and a place of resort for Masons to meet and exchange brotherly greetings through the daytime. Small banquets of less than 100 guests or large committees can also meet here. When ladies are permitted to visit the order this will be used as a reception room.

Egypt and Greece have both furnished inspiration for the interior decorations of rooms on this floor—the former somber and gloomy and steeped with the tragic beauty of a lotus-leaved dream, the latter coldly, classically beautiful—the parlors and ante-rooms of each carrying out the prevailing ideas.

There are storerooms, property rooms and armories galore. In all over 23,000 square feet of flooring, outside of the numerous galleries, will be devoted to the different degrees in Masonry, combining in its entirety the largest, most complete and magnificently furnished lodge rooms in the world.

The roof of the entire building is composed of glass, and the upper floor is one huge observatory. The rotunda is mossed with palms around its complete square and from the windows the city can be seen stretching away on three sides, its streets looking like narrow pathways and the blue waters of the lake rolling and tumbling to the east with the Michigan dunes faintly outlined against the horizon's verge. All the buildings from this altitude seem like toys, above which the smoke curls in white and purple and black wreaths, shutting out the view here and there and lifting again as the sunlight shoots its golden lances through the vapory mist. The cable cars look like tiny boxes on wheels and the horses like little ponies. Men and women are but pigmies hurrying along, and the roar of the street comes up faint and muffled. This is fitted up as a garden, where ice cream and cooling refreshments will be served almost among the clouds.

## THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

League Committeemen Discuss the Plan of Organization for the Campaign.

New York, July 18.—The Republican national executive committee remained in session for an hour and a half to-day. The time was principally taken up in discussing the plans of organization by league clubs. A. B. Humphreys, secretary, James A. Blanchard, executive member from New York, and ex-congressman E. P. Allen, executive member from Michigan, of the National League of Republican clubs, were invited to give their views of the committee. James F. Burke, president of the college Republican league of clubs, also addressed the committee. The following committee on headquarters was appointed: Messrs. Bliss, Manley, Clark, and Fessenden. No action was taken in reference to the appointment of an advisory committee, who will be leading Republicans, not members of the national committee. The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chairman.

## A TERRIBLE AFFAIR.

Four Brothers Drowned While Bathing in the Manokin River.

PRINCETON, MD., July 18.—Mr. Christopher C. Ball, a farmer living about one mile and a half from here on the Manokin river, yesterday morning was the happy father of nine children—six boys and three girls. Yesterday evening his four oldest boys were drowned while swimming in the river back of his farm. The names of the victims are, Willie, aged 16; Lewis, 15; Thomas, 12, and John, 10. These, with their brother George, aged 11 years, went in swimming. George was the last to go in. When he began to wade out he saw that his brothers were in trouble and he hesitated. He then saw his four brothers drown, one after another within twenty feet of him and he was powerless to assist them. The current was running very strong and the water very deep.

Murdered by a Militiaman.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 18.—Capt. Frank C. Calhoun, foreman of Devore's undertaking establishment, an old soldier, was fatally stabbed in the abdomen with a bayonet this morning by David Lester, a private in the Fourteenth regiment.

Lester and a companion named Hook were intoxicated and tried to force their way into Devore's when Calhoun interfered. A wrangle ensued and Lester ran his bayonet into Calhoun's abdomen. Lester and Hook are in jail. Calhoun is still living, but cannot recover.

An Awful Death.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

STRENSVILLE, O., July 18.—William Hall, a yard conductor on the Panhandle, living at Colliers, W. Va., was killed in Collier's yard last evening while making a coupling. He had a coupling pin and had it braced against his stomach trying to raise a drawhead. While he was doing this a car was run down on him, forcing the coupling pin through his body and crushing him to death. He leaves a wife and child, and was 85 years of age.

Badly Injured.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

TUNNELTON, W. VA., July 18.—James Dulin, an eighteen-year-old son of James Dulin, sr., was seriously mangled in the shaft at Newburg on Saturday. His recovery is doubtful.

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He Poisoned Four Girls Merely for the Sake of Killing Them.

LONDON, July 18.—Thomas Neill, arrested for attempting to blackmail Dr. Harper, of Barnstable, was today arraigned before Sir John Bridge in the Bow street police court on the charge of having murdered Matilda Clover by administering strychnine to her. The case has excited widespread interest as showing how a criminal can overreach himself and place himself within the clutches of the law. If Neill had not for some inscrutable reason attempted to blackmail several prominent persons he would probably have been free to-day to pursue his career of villany and murder. When the police followed up the clue furnished by the letter written by Neill to Dr. Harper they came across indisputable evidence that the blackmailer was a murderer, and the further they examined into the case the more they became convinced that Neill was responsible for the death of at least four girls.

When Neill was brought in and placed in the dock there was a general craning of necks to see him. He looked well and his face betrayed no sign of anxiety or trouble. He asked to be furnished with writing materials, and when they were given him he made copious notes of the proceedings.

Mr. C. F. Gill appeared on behalf of the treasury. He said he would prove the circumstances under which Matilda Clover was murdered and he asked that the prisoner be committed. Mr. Gill added that he would have to refer to the deaths of three other girls who were killed in a manner precisely similar to the Clover girl. The court granted Mr. Gill's request and the prisoner was remanded.

A peculiarity of the crimes with which Neill is charged is the apparent lack of motive. The case is believed to be without parallel in the annals of English criminal jurisprudence. Deeming, the wholesale murderer, had a motive for his crimes, a desire to get rid of women he tired of, but, apparently, Neill murdered simply for the sake of murder.

## TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.

Express Train Wrecked and Several Killed and Injured.

ST. CATHERINES, ONT., July 18.—The steamboat express from Buffalo collided with a local train from Port Colborne on the Welland division of the Grand Trunk railroad between St. Catharines and Merriton this morning. Four persons are reported killed.

The accident took place a short distance west of Merriton station. A short wooden bridge crosses the water power railway there, and the engine of the boat train had just crossed the structure when the collision occurred. The two first coaches of the boat train were thrown from the track and over the embankment, plunging into the race stream, while the engines were completely demolished and were thrown across the track to the opposite bank.

Up to noon, three bodies had been recovered from the wreck. They were recognized as the remains of Engineer Chapman, of the mail train; David Hunt, fireman of the boat train; and a passenger named VanSlyke, belonging to Buffalo. The injured are Conductor Boyle, who is severely cut and bruised; Brakeman Peter Welsh, internally injured, and Baggage-master William Spratt.

For Dalsell.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CALDWELL, O., July 18.—The Republican executive committee of Noble county met at this place to-day and selected delegates and alternates to the Republican congressional convention, to be held at Zanesville July 28. The delegation will doubtless be solid for Dalsell.

A Sensational Rumor.

LONDON, July 18.—The Pall Mall Gazette to-day says a rumor is in circulation that the queen will not summon Mr. Gladstone to form a ministry and that a coalition under the Duke of Devonshire is possible. The Pall Mall Gazette connects the rumor with the visit of the marquis of Salisbury, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain and the duke of Devonshire to Windsor Castle last week. The best informed Liberals ridicule a Devonshire coalition as outside of all possible contingencies, implying the acceptance of home rule by the Liberal Unionists and their return to their adhesion to Mr. Gladstone.

Spectators Drowned.

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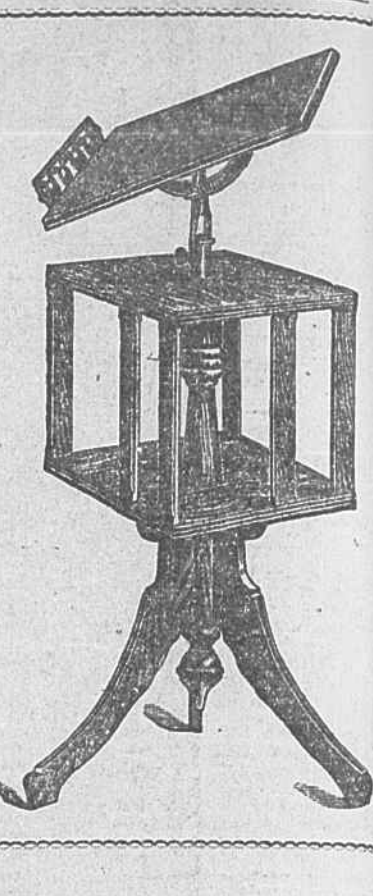
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